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\*partial list. Each member is a past recipient of the Golden Plate Award.

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**TO: Academy members and friends**  
**FROM: Brian and Wayne Reynolds**  
**SUBJECT: 1978 Banquet "Progress Report" #6****WAYNE R. REYNOLDS**  
Coordinator, Golden Plate Invitations**May 22, 1978****Announcing two more illustrious past honorees of the Academy who will assist in the 1978 presentation of awards at the Banquet of the Golden Plate on Saturday evening, June 24:**

- **Helen Hayes, Nyack, New York -- recipient of two Oscars.**
- **Stephen D. Bechtel, San Francisco -- Senior Director of his global construction empire.**

**...And several more 1978 guests of honor who will join us for the Salute to Excellence weekend "retreat" in Kentucky as recipients of the Golden Plate Award:**

- **Olivia de Havilland, one of the greatest stars in motion picture history -- member of an illustrious English family, this daughter of an international patent attorney was brought to San Francisco at the age of two, edited her high school yearbook, won an award for public speaking and a scholarship to Mills College based on her straight "A" record... appeared in school productions and "found herself torn between writing and acting"... created a sensation in a local production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and was catapulted into a long-term contract with Warner Brothers...became an "overnight success" in motion pictures...and was "particularly celebrated for the romantic adventure films in which she teamed with Errol Flynn"... "Captain Blood," "The Charge of the Light Brigade," "The Adventures of Robin Hood," "Four's A Crowd," "Dodge City," "The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex," "Santa Fe Trail" and "They Died With Their Boots On"...she earned five Academy award nominations, including one for her memorable role as Melanie in "Gone With the Wind"...voted as the greatest film of all time...and twice won the Oscar as "Best Actress" for her performances in "The Heiress" and "To Each His Own"...all in "a dazzling cinematic career that spans four decades."**
- **Gordie Howe, "Hockey's Living Legend"...hailed as "the greatest of them all" -- incredible 50 year-old superstar of the New England Whalers...who launched his major-league career in 1946 at age 18...dazzled the fans for an "unparalleled quarter-century" with the Detroit Red Wings...shattering every hockey record imaginable... including most games played (1687), most goals (786), most assists (1023), most points (1789), most all-star selections (21 years), and most points in the Stanley Cup playoffs (158)...in addition to being named the league's scoring champion and most valuable player a record six times..."meantime enduring 300 stitches on his face and numerous fractured bones"...he has continued to astound the sports world in recent years by teaming up with his two sons to capture the World Hockey Association championship... earning the vote of 500 sports editors, writers and broadcasters across the country as "the greatest player in the history of hockey."**

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